

ibuprofen medicament present to an extent of 35% or more by weight of the dosage form and a carrier material comprising

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i) a compressible filler component combined with a disintegrating component,  
ii) 3-20% solid alkali metal carbonate or bicarbonate by weight of the dosage form;

wherein the dosage form has a crushing strength in the range 6.5-15Kp and a disintegration time of less than 10 minutes,

provided that the ibuprofen medicament does not contain a calcium salt of ibuprofen in combination with an alkali metal salt of ibuprofen.

### REMARKS

The Office Action dated February 12, 2002 has been received and carefully noted. The above amendments to the claims, and the following remarks, are submitted as a full and complete response thereto.

#### 35 USC 112

The Office Action rejects claims 1-10, 16-19, 26-31 and 38 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, for containing asserted informalities. Regarding the term "dosage form," as those of skill in the art would readily understand, the term relates to the end product, eg. a tablet. The tablet or other dosage form is formed from a homogeneous admixture of the ibuprofen and the carrier. Thus, Applicants have amended claim 1 as